(ख) यदि नहीं, तो इन सुख-सुविधाओं में सुधार लाने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए जा रहे हैं ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Construction of bridge on Brahmaputra, Assam

@3219. SHRI DAVID LEDGER: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a fourth bridge over the Brahmaputra at Bogibil in Dibrugarh district in Assam;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTER): (a) to (c) The Government is yet to take a decision on the proposal to construct the fourth bridge across river Brahmaputra at Bogibil in Assam.

Declaration of West Coast Canal as National Waterway

@@3220. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any request from the Government of Kerala to declare the entire stretch of West Coast Canal in Kerala as National Waterway;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government have informed Kerala Government on 31st August, 1988 that they propose to declare the Kottam-Kochi-Kuttipuram Section of West Coast Canal along with Champakara Canal and Udyogmandal Canal as National Waterways and whether State Government communicated its concurrence on the proposal on 12th October, 1988; and

(c) if so, what steps Government have taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) A Bill for enactment of a Central legislation to declare Kollam-Kottapuram Stretch of West Coast Canal and Champakara and Udyogmandal Canals as National Waterway was passed by the Lok Sabha in October, 1989. However, before it could be introduced in the Rajya Sabha, the said Bill had lapsed due to the dissolution of that Lok Sabha. Subsequently, the matter was further considered and the National Waterway (Kollam-Kottapuram Stretch of West Coast Canal and Champakara and Udyogmandal Canals) Bill, 1992 has been introduced in Lok Sabha on 28-2-1992.

Green Line Express Services

3221. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 1142 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 4th March, 1992 and state the proposals, if any, to start more Green Line Express Service on other routes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): Introducing of more Green Line Express Services depends upon the availability of buses in DTC's fleet as also public demand.

@Previously unstarred question 1558, transferred from the 6th March, 1992.

@@Previously unstarred question 1565, transferred from the 6th March, 1992.